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## **Snohomish County Council Selects Leadership for '07**

The Snohomish County Council today elected Dave Gossett to serve as chair of the council for 2007. The council elected Dave Somers to serve as Vice Chair.

Gossett is serving his second term on the council. He was elected in 2001 from the fourth district representing the south central portion of the county. He was re-elected in 2005. Prior to serving on the Snohomish County Council, Gossett was a 12-year councilmember in the city of Mountlake Terrace and served six years as mayor.

Somers is in his second term serving the fifth district in south and east Snohomish County. He was first elected to a four year term in 1997 and was elected again to the council in 2005.

Gossett said he would continue the collaborative nature of the council and said he would continue to stress fiscal accountability. He also said he would work hard to bring more public access to the council. He replaces Councilmember Kirke Sievers as chair of the council.

Appointments to the chairmanship of council committees and to several regional bodies will be made later in the month.